

The Back Pay.

Having, with a show of economy and national reform, voted to abolish the Franking Privilege, the next act in this retrogressive force of the great moral pest-house at Washington was to vote to increase the salaries of the President, other officials and of the members of both Houses of Congress. Not satisfied with having thus turned what was of least some advantage to the public into a source of revenue for themselves, and a means of lining their own pockets, they next, under the leadership of a man notorious for the readiness with which he appropriated, during his residence at New Orleans and other places in the South, all that came within his reach to his own use, voted to extend the time for which they were to receive additional pay, beyond the date of the abolition of the Franking Privilege, for the loss of which this increase in the salary of the M. C.'s was to, nominally, compensate, and over a period when they were entitled to and enjoyed the privilege of a free use of the mails.

The alleged reason for the abolition of the Franking Privilege was that it was greatly abused, and it was argued that its abolition would be a means of immense saving to the nation; but no sooner is the law passed by which this great saving was to be accomplished, than we see the same men who would save the government the expense of free postage, voting to take from the National treasury almost two millions of money to divide among themselves, and this, too, without a shadow of right or the least claim to justice, and for services for which they had already been amply compensated.

This is one instance of wholesale robbery of the government which cannot be charged upon the Republican party alone, for the act by which it was accomplished was voted for by Democrats and Republicans alike.

No excuse can be offered for the conduct of these men. A strict sense of honesty should have dictated to them to vote against the passage of such a bill. But instead of guarding the interests of the public entrusted to their care, they have manifested a disposition to make the positions they hold merely a source of money making to themselves.

While the government continues in the hands of such men as these the moral condition of the country will never be improved. We do not regard the Credit Mobilier villainy as one whit worse in principle than this back pay grab. That the people may know in the future who were the guilty ones in this affair, we give below the vote in the Senate by yeas and nays. We have not room to insert the full vote in the House, but we are glad to say that Hon. B. T. Biggs did not vote for the back pay.

YEAS—Messrs. Alcorn, Ames, Bayard, Blair, Browland, Caldwell, Cameron, Carpenter, Clayton, Cooper, Davis, Fagan, Gilbert, Goldwater, Hamilton, (Texas), Hall, Hitchcock, Lewis, Logan, Mackin, Morrill (Me.) Norwood, Nye, Osborn, Pool, Rossmore, Rice, Robertson, Sawyer, Spencer, Stewart, Stockton, Tipton, Trumbull, Vickers, and West—36.

NAYS—Messrs. Anthony, Boreman, Beckham, Casserly, Chandler, Conkling, Corbett, Craigie, Edwards, Ferry, (Mich.), Freligh, Gresham, Hamilton (N.Y.), Hamlin, Howe, Kelley, Morrill, (Vt.) Patterson, Pratt, Ramsey, Sandberg, Schwarz, Scott, Sherman, Sprague, Thurman, Windom and Wright—27.

It is gratifying to know that the difficulty which seemed so threatening between the government and the Railroad Companies with reference to the transportation of the mails in the postal cars, has been brought to a satisfactory adjustment. The Philadelphia Press says:

"Governor Whyte has tendered the appointment of Secretary of State, made vacant by the death of the Hon. John Thompson Mason, to the Hon. Richard C. Montgomery, of Talbot county. Mr. Montgomery has already had experience in the same office, and has been known throughout the State as a gentleman of ability and high character. Another appointment will all at once be made. It is that of the Hon. J. M. Cox, of Baltimore, to succeed the venerable position of the Hon. John B. Maguire, resigned.

Local and State Affairs.

Middletown Academy.

Report of the students of Middletown Academy in scholarship, department, and days absent for the term ending March 28th, 1873:

100 Satisfactory.	90 Good.	80 Poor.	70 Very Poor.
William H. Barr,	98	98	98
Alfred Chamberlaine,	98	98	98
James H. Burrham,	98	98	98
Martin B. Burris,	98	98	98
Eugene M. Burris,	98	98	98
George Chamberlaine,	98	98	98
Alfred Chamberlaine,	98	98	98
S. Lloyd Chamberlaine,	98	98	98
Edwin J. Clayton,	98	98	98
John P. Cochran,	98	98	98
James E. Cochran,	98	98	98
R. E. Lee Cochran,	98	98	98
John P. Cochran, Jr.,	98	98	98
Thomas Kilson,	98	98	98
Meritt E. Cochran,	98	98	98
William A. Ginn,	98	98	98
Frederick Hardeste,	98	98	98
Augustus Hushaback,	98	98	98
W. Thomas Jones,	98	98	98
Samuel Leatherbury,	98	98	98
Frank Lloyd,	98	98	98
Cecil E. McDowell,	98	98	98
Harriet B. McDowell,	98	98	98
William Pennington,	98	98	98
J. Harry Potterbridge,	98	98	98
Andrew E. Saborn,	98	98	98
John T. Smith,	98	98	98
Leslie F. Schreitz,	98	98	98
George W. Stephens,	98	98	98
Charles Taroni,	98	98	98
Edward Taitman,	98	98	98
John Townsend,	98	98	98
John A. Vandegrift,	98	98	98
Frederick F. Vanfleck,	98	98	98
Horace M. Walker,	98	98	98
Clinton Walker,	98	98	98
John P. Wilson,	98	98	98
George F. Wilson,	98	98	98
Harry Wilson,	98	98	98
Willie Wood,	98	98	98

Stale Alaton,	98	98	98
John A. Bland,	98	98	98
Genie Davis,	98	98	98
May B. Budd,	98	98	98
Mollie F. Burris,	98	98	98
Annie C. Clayton,	98	98	98
Joseph L. Cochran,	98	98	98
Marion Cochran,	98	98	98
Lizzie N. Cochran,	98	98	98
Amelia Davis,	98	98	98
Samuel F. Harn,	98	98	98
Lillie B. Harn,	98	98	98
Emma F. Ingram,	98	98	98
Laura A. Lloyd,	98	98	98
Adie Merritt,	98	98	98
Frederick F. Pennington,	98	98	98
Ella M. Simkins,	98	98	98
Sallie G. Simkins,	98	98	98
Samuel F. Simkins,	98	98	98
Mary H. Simkins,	98	98	98
Emma M. Smith,	98	98	98
Lauretta Taroni,	98	98	98

The scholars acquitted themselves well for the examination of last week, and the report of the committee was very satisfactory. A goodly number of visitors were present during the exercises. At the close of the examination the report for the term was read and the following prizes awarded: For excellence in department to Maria Burris, Edward Taitman, Willie Wood and Lauretta Taroni; prize in spelling of the first class, academic department was awarded to Ella Simkins, of the second class, to Lillie B. Harn, of the primary department, first class, to Edwin Clayton, second class, to Annie Clayton.

The school closed for a vacation of one week, and will resume again on the 11th of April.

H. A. WOOD, Principal.

Fire.—On Tuesday night last between nine and ten o'clock our quiet town was startled by the cry of "fire," which as the night was very windy, caused considerable alarm. Rushing into the streets it was ascertained that the stable of Dr. Wm. H. Barr had been fired, by an incendiary of course, (but more probably by some careless boy with a cigar or pipe.) The flames spread rapidly through the dry hay and straw, and attacking the stables of Capt. Pennington, occupied by the family of Mr. Wm. H. Barr, and of Mrs. S. Hanson, the three buildings were soon in a light blaze. By the aid of the citizens the horses and carriages were successfully removed from the burning buildings, so that the loss was not so great as it might have been. Mr. Barr lost several sets of harness and some buffalo robes, and on the next day the citizens generally contributed a nice sum toward the operation of the fire. A lady in a distant part of the town, doubting with visions of Chicago or Boston before her, fearing the fire would spread against the wind, began the work of packing up and preparing to decamp, but as the fire spread no further, she put away her jewelry, heavy clothes and overboard, and went to bed.

Middletown B. & L. Association.—At the Annual Meeting of the Middletown Building & Loan Association, held on Thursday evening last, the following officers were elected: Samuel Pennington, President; Jas. B. Clark, Vice-President; G. C. Cox, Secretary; M. C. Treasurer, and Wm. H. Barr, Managers to collect and disburse.

The following is a summary of the Annual Report:

Dues, \$34,631.00; Premiums, \$11,123.00; Interest, \$9,084.40; Fines, \$450.68; Loans, \$4,815.00; Expenses, \$1,648.29; Withdrawn Stock, \$4,234.16; Profit for six years, \$19,091.50; Value of each share, \$116.30; Whole average Premium \$22.40-100; Equal to a gain of \$61.52-100; The funds were sold on that evening at 114 per cent.

Death of Victor Green, Esq.—No sadder task has devolved upon us since our accession to the editorial chair than that of chronicling the death of our esteemed friend whose name heads this article, which occurred at his residence in Middletown on Wednesday morning last.

Mr. Green was the son of Dr. Cutbert Green, so long and favorably known in this community as a practicing physician; a member of the New York Bar, and a gentleman who, for his rare abilities and literary attainments, commanded the respect of all who knew him.

Possessed of fine talents, had his health, which was always delicate, permitted him to pursue his profession, he would doubtless have attained to a high position among the members of the Bar. In his early death, not only his immediate friends but the community at large have sustained a severe loss.

Levy Court.—The Levy Court of this county adjourned last Tuesday. The per centum fixed is 20 cents for county, 8 cents for poor, 10 cents for State revenue; total, 38 cents on the \$100; making it 3 cents lower than last year, 5 cents lower than 1871, and shows a gradual decrease in the rates since 1870.

Order of service for next week, D. V.: Sunday, (to-morrow) 10 A. M., 7 P. M. Tuesday, 9th instant, 10 A. M., Friday, (Good Friday), 11th instant, at 10 A. M.

Contract awarded.—The contract for furnishing the town lamps with oil for the next year was awarded to S. M. Reynolds, he being the lowest bidder.

Samuel Voss.—The District Court heard of this town, who is to be detained in City this afternoon, on a pleasure trip.

Letter from the Capital.

DOVER, APRIL 3, 1873.

ED TRANSCRIPT:—The General Assembly is still in session; but there is some prospect of a final adjournment next week. Yesterday the House unanimously adopted a joint resolution adjourning both Houses sine die on Wednesday next. It is not known whether the Senate will concur in the resolution, but I presume it will, as that branch is pretty well through with the business before it.

The expulsion from the floor of the House of W. S. Pride, the racy correspondent of *Every Evening*, has caused considerable comment at the capital, as well as elsewhere. There is some difference of opinion expressed in regard to the action of the House. Some justify the expulsion while others condemn it. For my part, I must confess that some of the strictures of Mr. P. were rather severe and pointed; but then very few persons, not prejudiced against the dominant party in the present General Assembly, believe that any of the members are actuated by corrupt motives in supporting certain measures now before them.

The old jail of this county is now being torn down. Many of its former inmates will no doubt rejoice at the disappearance of this ancient and famous structure. It has been useful in its day, but the new jail will prove more so, from the fact that an escape from it is almost an impossibility. There are now nine unfortunate individuals confined within its gloomy cells, among them, Dr. West, the butcher of Coach Turner. I understand that the Doctor's health is rather poor at present. No doubt he would more fully realize his unfortunate condition, as the time for his trial is near at hand. Our court commences on the 28th instant.

Enterprising.—The want of proper markets for the immense amount of country produce (of the smaller kinds) which abounds in this community has long been felt. This want, Mr. E. B. Rice has, during the past winter, striven in a great measure to supply, and has purchased, paying cash, and shipped to New York, large amounts of poultry and eggs. He is now engaged in packing and shipping eggs, and those who have eggs to sell would do well to take them to him.

Kitto's History of the Bible.—The agent, George Priestly, is stopping with us for a few days for the purpose of procuring orders for this splendid work, and we trust he will meet with success commensurate with the rare merits of the book.

Pardoned and Re-arrested.—William B. Wiggins, who was convicted of the embezzlement of pension funds, and sentenced to imprisonment for six years, has been pardoned by the President. He is now confined in the jail at New Castle. After his release from custody by the President's pardon he was re-arrested at the suit of the officers of the First National of Wilmington, and required to give bail for his appearance at Court.

Concert.—Frank A. Conley, the concert vocalist, with his mixed troupe, will give a concert on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings next, April 8th and 9th, in the Town Hall, for the benefit of Good Samaritan Lodge I. O. O. F. of Middletown.

Explosion.—About eleven o'clock, Wednesday night, one of the rolling mills, at the Du Pont powder works, exploded with considerable force. As the men retire from their mills, when they are put in operation, no one was injured, and the damage was slight. The shock was distinctly felt in Wilmington.

Armstrong's Corner.—Rev. Dr. Patton, of Middletown will preach in the Mission Chapel at Armstrong's Corner tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. The public are invited to attend.

Terrible Storms.—A most fearful tornado swept over the town of Canton, Miss., on Monday last. Its track was scarcely 70 yards wide, sweeping directly through the centre of the town. Houses were utterly demolished and blown away, leaving the bare walls standing, twisted and distorted in all manner of shapes. Brick walls, buildings and chimneys were blown down, and missiles were sent through the air, such as timbers, brick and pieces of wood, with fearful force.

The damage done was very great, but few persons were injured. One negro woman, however, was buried beneath the ruins of her house and killed.

A tornado visited Franklin, Williamson county, Tenn., on Monday morning, and lasted twenty minutes. Barely a house in the place escaped damage, and in many instances the entire roofs were blown off and the walls thrown down. Great consternation prevailed among the people, but fortunately only one person was hurt. The loss is considerable, the town being a complete wreck.

A terrific wind and rain storm passed over Augusta, Ga., uprooting trees, tearing down fences, and doing considerable damage generally. It lasted over half an hour.

Ocean Steamship Lines.—The lines of ocean steamers now comprise 139 vessels, and it is a very significant fact that not one of these lines is purely American, and only one has but little American capital. The foreign steamship interest is immense, the intercourse between the two hemispheres as frequent as it was forty years ago between two of our American States, and except now and then, when an appalling disaster like the loss of the *Atlantic* occurs, the general public feel little sense of insecurity in ocean travel. The *Canard*, the *Imman*, the *Anchor*, the *White Star*, the *Guion*, the *National*, the *Great Western*, the *Cardiff*, the *French*, the *Allian* line and the *North German* *Lloyds*, the last two of which run from Baltimore, are the leading lines.

The Ocean House, at Rye Beach, New Hampshire, one of the most elegant and costly summer hotels on the coast, was burned on Thursday. A portion of the furniture was saved. The hotel cost \$100,000, and was insured for \$60,000, the greater part in Providence offices.

RECOVERING.—William S. Green, who was cut by Walters on the 13th instant, at Millington, Kent county, Maryland, is recovering. His wounds have been dressed, and he is doing as well as could be expected.

In one of the lower districts of the Eastern Shore a baby is the subject of a writ of *habeas corpus*, sued out by his mother in consequence of his being detained as collateral security for an unpaid board bill.

Baltimore's trade, the *American* says, is going to Philadelphia.

Proceedings of the Legislature.

DOVER, Thursday, March 27.

SENATE.—Quite a number of bills were read a first time, and among them a supplement to the act in relation to the competency of witnesses.

Bills passed: An act to divorce Mary Lawson; an act to aid Delaware College, and provide therein for the education of Teachers for this State; an act to incorporate the Wilmington Workingmen's Institute; an act in relation to indictments, convictions and punishments by the U. S. Courts; an act for the protection of fishermen.

The bill to authorize the Levy Court to appoint a Jail Overseer for Kent county, was read a third time and lost; also, an act proposing an amendment to the Constitution to empower the Legislature to enact a general incorporation law.

The \$200 exemption bill was taken up for consideration and re-committed.

HOUSE.—Mr. Sheldrake rose to a question of privilege and sent a copy of the *Every Evening*, of the 25th inst., to the Clerk's desk, and asked that an article contained therein be read. At the conclusion of the reading of the article signed "W. S. P." Mr. Sheldrake offered a resolution directing the Sergeant-at-Arms to exclude W. S. Pride from the privilege of the floor. The resolution was read and adopted, yeas, 12; nays, 6.

Among the bills passed were the following: An act to amend Chapter 32 of the Revised Code; an act to divorce Elizabeth Short from her husband, Cannon Short; an act to amend Chapter 110 of the Revised Code, concerning judgments; an act concerning the Treasurer of the Poor in New Castle county; an act to amend Chapter 99 of the Revised Code; an act in relation to the tax on the P. W. & B. R. R.; an act to incorporate the Central Delaware Fruit Growers' Association; an act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Code; and an act in relation to the duties of the Attorney General.

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Miscellaneous

REGISTER'S ORDER.

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New Castle Co., February 25th, 1873.
UPON the application of Charles Tatham, Jr., Administrator of John C. Lippincott, late of St. Georges Hundred in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administrator aforesaid, give notice of the granting of Letters of Administration upon the Estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing a notice of the same to be posted within forty days of the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same, or to file an Affidavit of Assembly, in such case made and provided. And also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the **Middletown Transcript**, a newspaper published in Middletown and to be continued therein two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.
B. GIBBS, Register.

NOTICE.—All persons having claims against the Estate of the deceased must present the same only attended to the Administrator on or before February 25th, 1874, or abide an Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.
CHARLES TATHAM, Jr., Administrator.
mari-2m Address—Middletown, Del.

FOR SASSAFRAS RIVER

THE steamer "TRUMETER" being now in complete order, will resume her trips on Saturday, the 1st of March, 1873, leaving Pier No. 5, Light street wharf, Baltimore, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, at 10 A. M., arriving in Georgetown at 4 P. M. Returning will leave Georgetown the alternate days at 8 A. M., arriving in Baltimore at 2 P. M., touching at Buck Neck, Barnards, Betterton, Turner's Creek, Cassids, Shullcross, and Fredericktown, going and returning.
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NOTICE.
THE firm heretofore existing as **ELIASON & GEARS** dissolved January 8, 1873, by mutual consent.
The business will be conducted in the future by **LEE & GEARS**, at the old stand, who will use their best efforts to give satisfaction to those who favor them with work.
[Jan 11-3m]

\$5 to \$20 Per day! Agents wanted.
All classes of working people, of either sex, young or old, make more money at work for us in their spare moments, or all the time, than at anything else. Particulars free. Address
G. S. GROSS & CO.
Oct. 12-17. **Portland, Me.**

Miscellaneous.



The only Reliable Gift Distribution in the country

\$60,000.00
IN VALUABLE GIFTS!!
TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN

L. D. SINE'S
1000 REGULAR MONTHLY
GIFT ENTERPRISE.

To be drawn Monday, April 28th, 1873.
TWO GRAND CAPITALS OF
\$5,000 EACH IN GREENBACKS!

Two Prizes \$1,000 each
Five Prizes \$500 each
Ten Prizes \$100 each
Greenbacks!

One Horse and Buggy, with Silver-mounted Harness, worth \$500. One Fine-toned Rosewood Piano, worth \$500. Ten Family Sewing Machines, worth \$100 each. Five Gold Watches and Chains, worth \$200 each. Five Gold American Hunting Watches, worth \$125 each. Ten Ladies Gold Hunting watches, worth \$75 each. 800 Gold and Silver Lever Hunting Watches (in all) worth from \$20 to \$300 each; Gold Chains, Silverware, Jewelry, &c. &c.
Whole number Gifts, 6,500 Tickets Limited to 60,000

Agents Wanted to sell Tickets, to whom Liberal Premiums will be paid. Single Tickets \$1.00; Six Tickets \$5.00; Twelve Tickets \$10.00; Twenty-five Tickets \$25.00.

Circulars containing a full list of prizes, a description of the manner of drawing, and other information in reference to the Distribution, will be sent to any one ordering them. All letters must be addressed to

L. D. SINE, Box 86,
101 W. FIFTH ST.
CINCINNATI, O.
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500,000

Trees and Plants
For Spring of 1873.

AT MIDDLETOWN NURSERY AND FRUIT FARM.

SUCH as Peach, Apple, Pear, and all other kinds of fruit trees; Maple, Horse Chestnut and all other kinds of shade trees; American Arbor Vitae, Irish Juniper, and all other kinds of ornamental trees; Strawberries, Raspberries, Blackberries, Gooseberries, Currants, and other plants; Early Rose, Peonies and White Peach Trees, &c. &c.

Persons who do not increase the value and the beauty of their homes by setting out new trees and plants, never enjoy the fruits of their investments. Every tree planted and cared for in a few years at a cost of a few cents is worth at least one dollar to the owner, and no investment can pay better than to plant and nurture trees and plants of the right kind. Call on me and I will be glad to sell one of my stock at reasonable rates. Catalogues free.

E. R. COCHRAN,
Middletown, Del.

PEACH BASKETS of all kinds at manufacturer's prices. Barrels of apples treated best.

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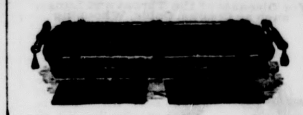
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Miscellaneous.

FURNITURE.

UNDERTAKING.

UPHOLSTERING.



The undersigned respectfully announces to the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he has on hand a large and well selected stock of handsome and durable

Walnut and Other Furniture,
which he will sell very cheap for cash. Buying at wholesale cash rates he feels assured that he can sell as low as the same goods can be bought elsewhere. By buying of him purchasers will be saved the freight on their goods from the city. He is also prepared to attend to

Undertaking Work
at short notice, and in a manner excelled by none. For those wishing Metallic or Wooden Cases or Caskets will find it to their advantage to call on him. He has, also,

TAYLOR & SON'S
Celebrated Corpse Preserver.

The Corps may be dressed in the finest fabrics and not be soiled, (and can be seen at all times) as nothing but dry cold air enters the Casket.

Also the finest Coffin-makers of all kinds, Foreign and Domestic. French Lemon Peel, Currants, Peaches, Blackberries, Whortles, Berries, Apples, &c. &c.

Also Plain and Fancy Caskets to order. Particulars supplied at short notice.

Also a full and constant supply of the finest brands of Segars.

N. B.—The person making the largest deposit, will receive the largest quantity of the above. Discount days, every day in the week, Sundays excepted.

E. R. RICH,
Main St. Middletown, Del.

Nov. 16-17.

FOR MARKING LINES WITH INDELIBLE INK.

The only and reliable mark of marking lines with In-
delible Ink, is
with one of my
Superior and Warranted Silver Metal Plates. Various styles made to order with bottle of warranted Indelible Ink, in box, &c. complete, sent by mail, postage paid for 50 cents. Illustrated Circular of Designs sent free. Old English and Script Plates for marking fine linen, engraved. A Solid Silver IMPELLE PLATE, engraved, with name and address, 75 cents, post paid. Also every description of fine steel work, for marking Barrels, Bags, Wrapping-paper, &c. &c. Also and Symbols for marking Show Cards, Price Labels, &c. for store windows, all sizes, ready made. Stencils, all colors of dye. Stencil Ink, Baggage and Key Checks, &c. &c. Also Stencils and Stamp Stamps. Nately Public Sealers. &c. &c. Orders by mail promptly attended to. Satisfaction guaranteed. Orders at Warden & Evans' Peach Basket Factory will receive prompt attention. J. E. WARDEN,
Diamond Street, Middletown, Del.

Feb. 3, 1872-17

LUMBER & HARDWARE.

J. B. FENIMORE & CO.
OPPOSITE THE DEPOT.

MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

DEALERS IN ALL KINDS OF

Lumber and Hardware,
BRICKS, LIME, HAIR SASH, DOORS, BLINDS

MOULDINGS, PAINTS, OILS,
GLASS, ETC. ETC.

Constantly on hand all kinds of

Building Material
January 15-17

M. E. DICKSON,
No. 351 SOUTH EIGHTH STREET,
PHILADELPHIA.

DEALER IN

WATCHES AND JEWELRY,
SOLID STERLING

Silver and Plated Ware
Suitable for Holiday Presents.

N. B.—Fine selection of 18 Kt. Wedding Rings on Hand.

Gold, Silver and Steel Spectacles to suit all ages.
Dec. 16-17

THE BEST IN USE.
BLANCHLEY'S
HORIZONTAL

(Tingling) will produce a finer quality of cream in less time and with less labor, than any other Freezer made. Is perfectly air-tight, and will pay the entire cost of the machine in one season in ice alone. Sizes from three to forty quarts. Call and see it, or send for catalogue.

CHAS. G. BLANCHLEY, Manufacturer,
mari-4m 505 Cambridge Street,
Philadelphia.

NEW LOAN ASSOCIATION.

THE stock books of the Mutual Loan Association, of Middletown, Del., are now open for subscription to stock. This Association offers new inducements to those who wish to make a safe investment as well as to those who desire to procure for themselves and families a home. Stock will be issued in series, and all other new features adopted to make this a successful corporation. Apply for stock to A. G. Cox, G. E. Hukill, J. B. Clarkson, E. R. Rice and A. M. Cox, or to R. E. COX, Sec'y.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

NOTICE.

THE undersigned having rented the warehouse of C. Watkins, Esq. at Odessa, Del., would respectfully notify the public that he will pay cash on delivery for all kinds of grain delivered either at warehouse or on the water at the highest market price.

Also will have constantly on hand the best brands of

FLOUR AND FEED.

Manufactured by Messrs. Wm. Lea & Sons, either wholesale or retail.

LIME AND COAL.

will be delivered in quantities to suit purchasers, and as low as possible can be done.

FREIGHTS! FREIGHTS!

I shall make it a specialty to the merchants of Middletown and vicinity to deliver goods at their stores less the cartage to Philadelphia, with promptness and dispatch.

Also have your goods marked Bradley's Packet Line, via C. & A. to Middletown.

A Share of the public patronage solicited.

A. T. BRADLEY,
Agent for E. T. EVANS,
Middletown, Del.

In Grain, Lime, Coal, &c.
Dec. 14-6mos.

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SOLE AGENT FOR

ELIHU JEFFERSON & SON,
New Castle,

FOR THE PURCHASE OF

GRAIN,
AND SALE OF

LIME, FERTILIZERS, SEEDS, &c.
OFFICE AT THE DEPOT.

Jan 14-17

STOREKEEPERS AND
LAVERIESMEN,

Will find it to their interest to buy their Grain

AT E. T. EVANS'
FLOUR AND FEED STORE.

Opposite National Hotel.

WM. LEA & SONS'
POULTRY AND KIRKWOOD

BRAND FLOUR,
For Sale by
June 22-17 **E. T. EVANS.**

CHARLES E. CLAYTON,
AGENT FOR

JAMES E. PRICE & CO.
Will Give Highest Prices for Grain,
AT MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE.

Dec. 21-3mos.

E. T. EVANS,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALER

IN FLOUR AND FEED.

June 22-17

E. T. EVANS.

GRAIN COMMISSION MERCHANT.
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

June 22-17

For Sale and Rent.

PEACH TREES.

FOR SALE at the Diamond State Nursery, 100,000 PEACH TREES for Spring planting. Also, a choice lot of

ASPARAGUS PLANTS.
Also, 50,000 OSAGE PLANTS.
For circulars, address
JAMES T. SHALLCROSS,
Feb. 22-17 Middletown, Del.

A RARE CHANCE

TO PURCHASE A DESIRABLE FARM, containing 115 Acres, more or less, known as the "Old Allen Place," adjoining the "Pier House" property, and within half a mile of Port Penn. The place is beautifully situated on the Delaware River, and the soil is the very best for the cultivation of the peach, or for trucking. The terms will be very easy and immediate possession given. The improvements are a Frame House and Steady and Stable. Apply to
JAN 18-3mos **MRS. E. N. ALBRECHT,**
Port Penn, Del.

FOR SALE.

12 OR 15 tons of prime Timothy Hay.
Apply to
W. E. VANDELGRIFF,
mar 15-3w Odessa, Del.

To the Public.

THE undersigned respectfully informs the citizens of Middletown and vicinity that he is prepared with excellent Horses, Wagons and Carts to do all kinds of hauling at moderate rates. Proprietors of hotels and housekeepers will find it to their advantage to give him a call. Coal and lumber hauled at shortest notice. Orders for baggage or other parcels, left at the Post Office, will receive prompt attention.

N. B.—75 Loads of good building Sand for sale.
Jan. 4-17. **WM. W. WILSON.**

DELAWARE HOUSE,
Opposite the City Hall,

513 Market Street,
WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

Having recently remodelled and refurnished the above well-known Hotel, I am now prepared to entertain my friends and the public generally in first-class style and at reasonable rates.

Patronage solicited.

GEO. W. ORTLEP,
Proprietor.
mar 8-6m

Railroad Time-Table.

Delaware Rail Road Line.

Summer Arrangement.

On and after Monday, May 20th, 1873, (Sundays excepted), Trains will leave as follows:

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